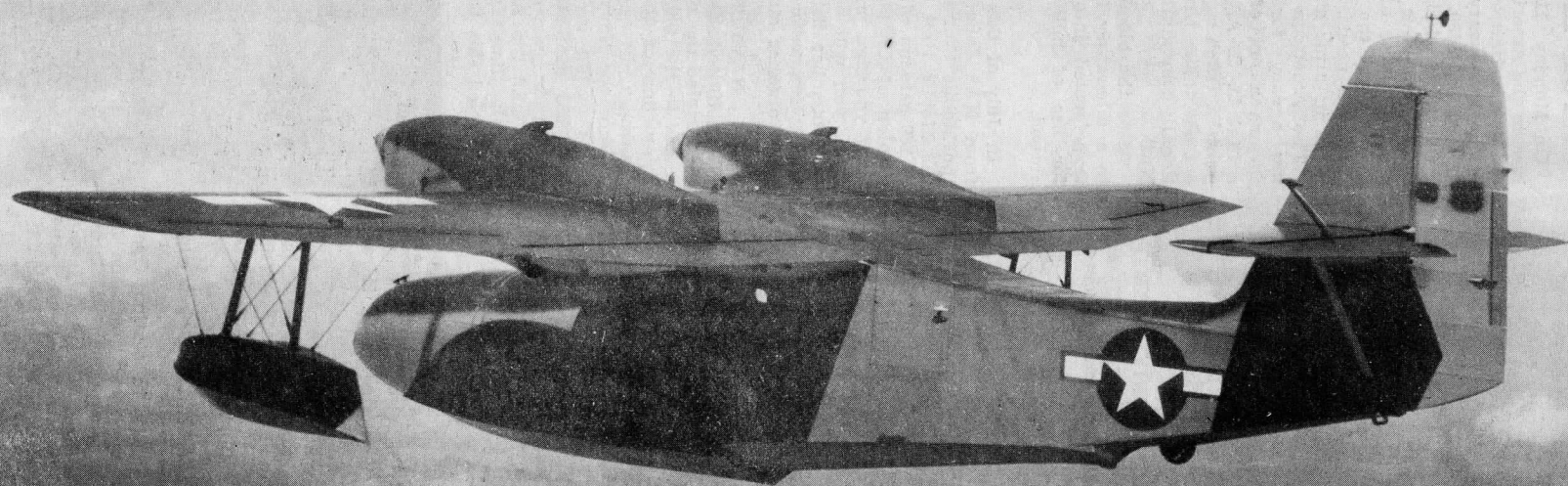


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NAVAL AVIATION ANNIVERSARY

During Naval Aviation Week (23 Aug.-30 Aug.) NAS, Tillamook carried out its duties with a minimum of fanfare.

In time of war this is celebration at its best—doing the job at hand as efficiently as possible.

With Allied Air Power blasting one-way roads to Tokyo and Berlin, it is hard for most of us to realize that it is only 31 years since the Wright Bros. wrote the beginning paragraphs in the history of Aviation at Kitty Hawk, N. C.

And as those of us who are on duty at shore air stations pause to contemplate the speedy and spectacular rise of air power it is well to remember that all forms of aviation are integral parts of the Navy, supplementing and supporting the heart and soul of the Navy—SEA POWER.

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ADMIRAL FITCH - DEPUTY CNO (AIR)

On 1 August Vice Admiral Aubrey W. Fitch, USN, relieved Admiral McCain as Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Air).

Admiral McCain was the first officer to hold the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Air) post, which was established in July, 1943. He has been given an assignment at sea.

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UP THE LADDER

Squadron's list of recent advancements leads off with: Lt. James T. Ledden, Lt. T. R. Ralston; Lt. George A. Woerfel; Lt. (jg) Louis Zimmer; Lt. (jg) George O. Zdrade; Lt. (jg) Alfred L. Bailey and Lt. (jg) Ernest M. Babb.

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Hedron officers who stepped up the Navy ladder recently are: Lt. (jg) J. L. Birkmeier; Lt. (jg) Lester Lurkey; and Lt. (jg) Arthur F. Cross.

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It's Lt. (jg) Vernon W. Smith now when you address this young flyer (pix lower left) on temporary duty in station Operations. Lt. Smith spent eight months at Guadalcanal and Munda attached to a land-based PV Squadron. He came in for some heavy fighting, and to him Tillamook looks GOOD.

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Jane (asking a riddle): "Why is it that you have so many boy friends?"

Alice: "I give up."

Your Blood Is Needed

On Monday, 11 September, NAS will be host to the American Red Cross Blood Donor Mobile Unit, which will set up "shop" in the Dispensary Ward between the hours of 0800 and 1130.

One hundred sixty civilian and naval personnel will have an opportunity to add to the 1944 quota of 5 million pints of blood. That's what the Army and Navy estimate they will need to keep our stricken comrades in arms alive and fighting.

The American Red Cross, blood-collecting agency for the armed forces, has thrown a net of lifelines over the continental U. S. A. Thirty-five Blood Donor Centers, (such as the one in Portland), send out 63 Mobile Units, which reach 950 additional communities like Tillamook and NAS.

After the blood is collected, it is rushed to a laboratory for processing. Here it is transformed into dried or liquid plasma for use of military forces at home and abroad.

Sign Now!

In July of this year 50 men and women from NAS donated a pint of blood when the Mobile Unit set up in Tillamook. With the Mobile Unit on the station, the quota of 160 persons will be easily reached in the opinion of Chaplain Richard A. Bryan.

"If you sign now with your Division Officer, you will be sure of a place on the 11 September list," says the Chaplain, and adds, "Remember, a pint of your blood may mean another man's life."

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NAVY TRIPLES FLEET

The United States Navy on August 19, 1944 tripled the number of combatant ships it had in the fleet on July 1, 1940 with the completion of the destroyer escort U. S.S. Grady.

When the Navy began its intensive building program in July, 1940, it had in the fleet 383 combatant ships. Completion of the Grady, barring any additional combat losses and the failure to complete any of the ships listed for completion on August 19, tripled this total.



Words of the Week

Admiral Raymond Spruance: "We of the Regular Navy furnish a certain amount of direction and leadership, but the bulk of the work necessarily has to be done by the Reserves."

Churchill (On the question of definite post-war settlement): "There was the man who sold a hyena skin while the beast still lived, who was killed hunting it. Let's make that our motto here at home. We're going to skin Hitler, but let's not stop hunting until the beast is killed."

Rear Admiral Arthur S. Carpenter (as 800 Waves passed in review at the Great Lakes Naval Training center): "The finest lot of 2-year-olds I ever saw . . . You Waves have done such a fine job in the Navy that I wouldn't be surprised if those of you want it were accepted for permanent careers with the Navy."

General Henry H. "Hap" Arnold (chief of U. S. Air Forces): "All jobs have a time limit—due ten minutes ago. . . ."

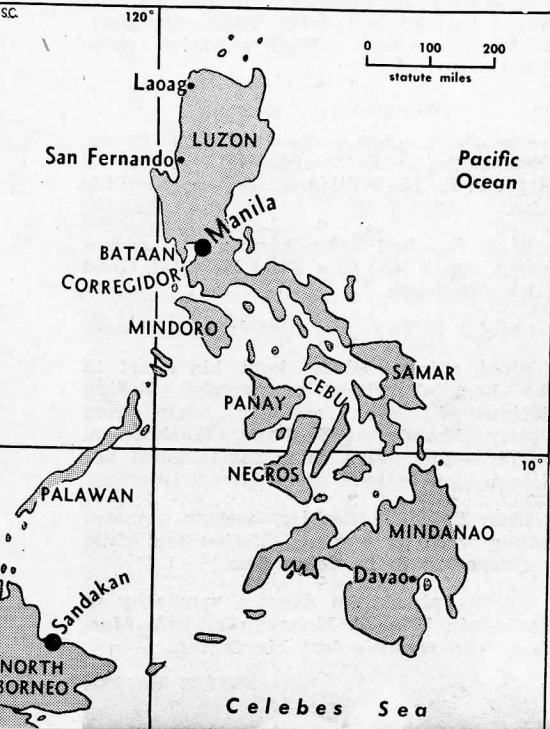
LOGGING OUT

Lt. (jg) Harry H. Devenish draws an assignment in Florida after ten months at NAS, Til. With 21 years of Navy service to his credit, he was at Pearl Harbor at the outbreak of the present conflict, and he spent the following months aboard the *Swallow* as Chief Quartermaster.

He reported aboard as Warrant Boat-swain and got his stripe and a half while serving as Fire Marshal and 1st Lt. here.

Good luck, "Boats". The station will miss a fine officer and a good shipmate.

Will the Philippine Islands, where American fighting men died at Bataan and Corregidor, be the next stop for the boys who are riding the Tokyo Express?



SUPPLY PICNIC

After underwriting picnics for everyone else on the station, Supply & Accounting planned one for themselves on 6 August up the Kilchis River.

About 60 people—military and civilian personnel with their families—were on deck for the fun and the food.

The three-legged race was won by Betty Johnson and Bell Teller, but the shoe race is still in the hands of the judges.

With no adding machines aboard, the outcome of the Softball game is also in doubt; however, Florine Derickson starred at second and Gunn, Sklc, shone (?) at third.

Badminton and volley ball were also responsible for sore muscles on the following Monday.

NEW SLANT ON THE WEATHER

After forecasting RAIN for the past 20 months at NAS, Til, with surprising accuracy, Ensign Richard Camp, U.S.N. station Aerological Officer, was detached on 18 August and ordered to duty aboard an aircraft carrier.

Into his trusted and water-soaked shoes stepped Lt. (jg) Vincent Ruble, who has been coping with the vagaries of Oregon weather like a veteran for some months now.

Lt. (jg) Henry T. Bingham, reporting from a school of Aerology at Annapolis, Md., is also on deck to aid in aerological computations.

However, no department is complete these days without a WAVE. Lt. (jg) Bernadine McClincy remedied that situation by reporting from San Diego, where she was on temporary duty in the Aerology Department.

Despite this galaxy of aerological talent NAST forecasts: Storms and showers for the next six months.

MAIL OVERSEAS SEPT. - OCT.

If you're sending a Christmas package to a friend or relative overseas, be sure it is postmarked between 15 September and 15 October. After 15 October no gift package may be mailed to a man overseas without the presentation of a written request from him, according to Postmaster General Frank C. Walker.

Care should be taken in wrapping, packing, and addressing overseas parcels. And every gift sender is advised to write his own address and that of the addressee inside the package as well as out.



THE CHAPLAIN CARRIES ON

Despite the touch of fall in the air, spring romances are still flowering into marriages at NAS, Tillamook.

Allison-Ellefson

In a lovely church wedding, Jewell C. Ellefson was given in marriage to L. B. Allison, Y1c, on the evening of 16 August at the Redeemer Lutheran church. Wayne L. and Margaret Dedoore were best man and matron of honor. Allison's mother and stepfather, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Nichols, came from Borger, Texas, for the ceremony.

Chaplain Bryan officiated, and Miss Donna Heusser supplied a fitting musical background.

The happy couple are pictured above (left) cutting their wedding cake at the reception following the ceremony.

Zaffino-Kvalheim

Ruby O. Kvalheim and Joseph Zaffino, CAerM, (pictured above, right) were married at the Methodist Episcopal Church, Saturday afternoon, 5 August by Chaplain Bryan. They were attended by Cecil H. Hicks and Gertrude Arnd. Miss Donna Heusse played the wedding marches.

Friends of the couple greeted them at a reception in the church at the close of the ceremony.

Zagata-Penland

Helen E. Penland of Tillamook and Joseph Zagata, CMM, exchanged their marriage vows in the Methodist Episcopal Church on Saturday evening 19 August. The bride was attended by Hazel M. Thomas and the groom by Howard W. Marvin, ACMM (PA) LA.

Chaplain Bryan read the wedding service, and Miss Donna Heusser played the Lohengrin and Mendelssohn wedding marches.

Dohl - Deblow

Ruth Deblow became the bride of Harry W. Dohl, Aer M1c, on 23 of August at The Sacred Heart Church. Father Michael officiated at the ceremony.

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A wedding ring is like a tourniquet—it stops your circulation.



FLASH — CHIEF REPLACES WAVES!

This isn't the story you see on WAVES Recruiting posters, but it's the way it happened in Tillamook.

Ensign Ursula Breher and Ensign Jacqueline Bergman, who were alternating as receptionists at the OOD's desk and as CWO's, were recently replaced by E. B. Harding, Chief Machinist's Mate, who wears enough gold hash marks to open a private mint.

The young ensigns are now busy in Communications, and the jovial Chief is taking a bit of ribbing from his shipmates. To which he replies, having spent five years in an Oregon Recruiting Office, "Only Superman can replace TWO WAVES."

The Chief shipped out through the Portland Recruiting Office in 1917, and has been in and out of the Navy ever since. After 11 months at a PT Repair Base in New Guinea, he requested duty in the 13th Naval District and drew Tillamook, practically home base. Well, at least, some people are lucky.

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DISPENSARY DOINGS

The stork made a non-stop flight to the Dispensary on 12 August leaving a baby girl for L. H. Williams, AMM1c, and his wife.

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W. E. Smith, PHM1c, has received orders which attach him to a Fleet Hospital. Good Luck, "Smitty".

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Chief J. B. Page recently reported aboard.

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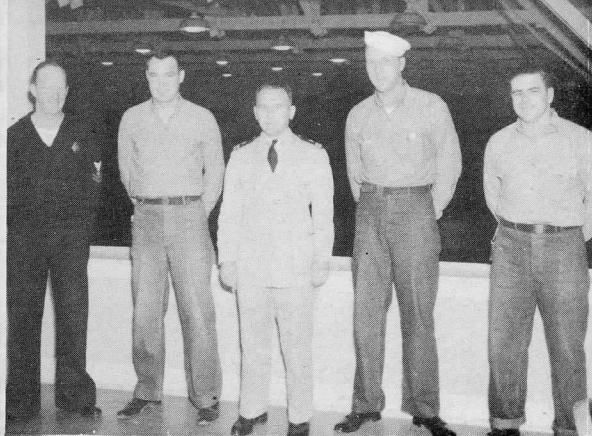
Alton Stier, PHM2c, kept his heart in the hospital when he married Ensign Corinne Fletcher, recently back from Pearly Harbor, at Spokane, Washington, on 15 August. Mrs. Stier has resigned her Commission to look after Alton's interests.

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Dean Bolender, ScrM1c, became a proud father on 23 of August. Mother and child are reported to be doing fine.

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NAST extends its deepest sympathy to Boatswain Wm. T. Mchoughlin, Fire Marshal, who recently lost his father.



"MUSCLES" OR MOVIES?

"Fun and Fitness" is the slogan of the Recreation and Welfare Department, officered by Lt. Guy P. Wicks and housed in the "hub" of the station—the Rec Building (see pp. 6-7).

The men pictured above are responsible for a lot of the fun on the station. They plan and supervise station movies, USO shows, and dances. They keep the loud-speaker "sounding off" and the bowlers and the pool players happy.

"Muscle-bending" is their speciality, however. A five-day program of calisthenics for station, Squadron, and Hedron is only part of a week's work. Softball and badminton are organized both at the Rec Hall and the Hangar. Checking out equipment for horse-shoe pits, tennis courts, and the golf course (located off the station) keeps the boys busy.

Organizing such special events as golf tournaments, Softball matches, picnics, and a summer recreation program for families living in Tillamook is also packed into an already full schedule.

What we wonder is: When do the Muscle Benders unbend?

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Answers to Proverb Puzzles

1. Still water runs deep.
2. People who live in glass houses shouldn't throw stones.
3. Where there's a will there's a way.
4. Uneasy lies the head that wears a crown.
5. Pride goeth before a fall.



L. to R.: R. L. Buchanan, Sp (A) 2c; E. H. Saylor, Sp (A) 1c; Lt. G. P. Wicks; L. C. Meier, Sp (A) 1c; F. W. Schmidt, S1c; E. E. Rutledge, EM1c; M. N. Brown, EM2c. Lower L.; D. C. White, S1c; P. R. Rodino, S1c.

GOLF TOURNAMENT WINNERS

The Enlisted Men's Golf Tournament, recently completed, carried a number of "upsets". Check your bets with this list of winners, Mac:

Championship Flight: Winner, Sheldon; Runner-up, Ireland.

President's Flight: Winner, E. B. James; Runner-up, G. E. Bergfalk.

First Flight: Winner, G. C. Rogers; Runner-up, G. Kregar.

Second Flight: Winner, E. H. Glonek; Runner-up, E. H. Saylor.

Third Flight: Winner, J. W. Wilson; Runner-up, R. W. Parker.

Fourth Flight: Winner, D. Bolender; Runner-up, J. G. Gambino.

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CIVILIAN CHATTER

Quite a few changes these days. Eva Swanson has turned the Security Office over to the Marines and has been transferred to Accounting. Stella Fry has deserted the switchboard for Central Office, replacing Rose Mary Wiebe, who is off to school.

Newcomers to Supply are Shirley Gault, who takes the place of Mabel Boyer, Catherine Suloff, and Neva Goeres, who replaces Inez Moore.

Louise Camp and Melba Richards of Public Works have resigned to accompany their husbands to new assignments as has Aline Steinhouse.

Jewell Johnson, PW Quartermaster, is riding again after a spell of walking. Guess Johnny couldn't catch the cow that caused the accident.

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Flying Ball Club

NAST TRIMS VISITING MARINES

Before a wildly cheering crowd of Nast-ites, the Over-all Station Softball Team met and defeated a confident combination which flew in from the Marine Air Base at Corvallis on 22 August. Score: 5 to 3.

This closely contested game wiped out the 1-to-0 defeat NAST suffered at the hands of the Marines on their home ground on 16 August. Another Home-and-Home game is scheduled in the near future.

Men that carried NAST to victory were: Lt. Guy P. Wicks, Manager; Saylor, Sp (A) 1c; Schwartz, PHM2c; Hensley, ARM2c; Dalton, AMM2c; Levingood, AM3c; Armstrong, AM3c; Krinsky, ARM3c; Liscio, ARM3c; Terek, S1c; Mucha S1c; Baron, S1c; Carver, Marine Pvt.

These men tied for second place in the first half of Round Robin recently played by the Tillamook Softball League; and they stayed in second place for the final round.

Stay in there, fellows, and keep pitching!

WOO or HAY — IT'S ALL THE SAME

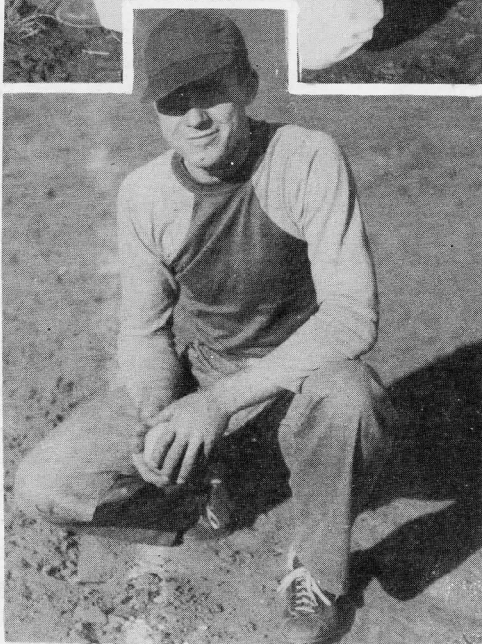
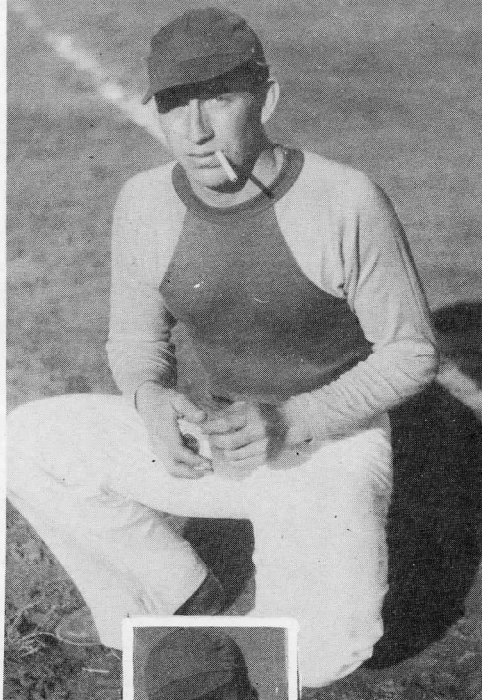
"Pitching woo" is the favorite liberty pastime of a lot of bluejackets on the station, but during the months of July and August some of the lads have been pitching HAY during liberty hours.

According to Dwight H. Near, Farm Labor Assistant in Tillamook, the following Navy men "gave timely assistance" to the farmers of Tillamook County: J. Davis, Chief Comacho, Red Neely, Norman and John Epp, W. Hill, L. Oxman, R. E. Collins, W. W. Williams, Bud Dougherty, R. J. Delaney, Frank Misenburg, P. Dickerson, J. O'Neil, Buel Jackson, W. H. Jackson, W. H. Johnson, H. W. Krahn, D. Bolender, Ralph Steinhauser, J. Denny, and S. E. Morengo. There were other men who worked for farmers close to the station and did not register with the Farm Labor Office.

These solid sons of the soil were paid \$1.00 an hour and meals to say nothing of getting a swell suntan FREE.

Sweet Young Thing: "What a wonderfully developed arm you have. Do you play baseball?"

Sailor: "Yes, and may I ask were you ever on a track team?"



Home-run King Armstrong; Mucha, First-class pitcher

NAVY ATHLETES PROTECTED

The status of amateur athletes in Naval Service is now protected by a series of principles worked out by Bupers in cooperation with the Amateur Athletic Union, U. S.

Some of the main points follow: (1) The status—i.e. professional or amateur—of an athlete shall be determined before he enters the service. (2.) Regardless of status, a Navy man is eligible to play on service teams authorized by his C.O.; amateurs shall not lose their status when they engage in professional competition authorized by the CO. (4) A professional athlete in service is not eligible to compete in A.A.U. tournaments either as an individual or as a member of a Navy team.

"OUR NAVY" — its chapeau...

For instance:



The hat with the decided star 'bd list. Very popular with the salts.



Our friend, Joe Boot, who walks about in dire dread of someone calling "Soua that hat!!"

'Course, there's always Casanova Joe who figures his tipped-back style o' hat gives him that extra something with the fems.



The Hero of our strip: the boy who really squares off with the hat!!

BEER



Meet "Sudsy" who personally doesn't give a good damn just what goes with his hat!!



Liberty Hound - who should rig an elastic band betwix chin and chapeau to keep latter within "hailing" distance, at least!



Jackhouse '44 OSNR



Cuddlesome, cute—and contrary. Those big blue eyes belong to Janet Blair, fellows. You'll see her around some time—in the movies.

TEMPORARY WAVE

Ensign Jean Crites, on temporary leave from the District Communications Office, and on duty in station Communications, is finding her stay in Tillamook a delightful vacation from smoke-fogged Seattle (we quote).

The Marine Log

Commissioned Warrant John Kirby left NAS, Tillamook, on 23 August after 9 colorful months aboard with coveted orders for duty in the Alaskan area in his pocket. Smooth sailing, Mr. Kirby.

His replacement, Warrant Dan M. Crosno, is recently from Mare Island, where he reported after duty at Bougainville. In charge of the 1st Marine War Dog Platoon, a part of the Second Raiders, this personable young Warrant officer knows some real dog stories. Serving in battle areas on patrol, messenger, and sentry duty, two of these highly trained animals were killed and several were wounded in the line of duty. Tell us more, Mr. Crosno.

A story with a happy ending is the one about "Blimpy", the little yellow kitten recently presented to the WAVES by the Marines. It seems that some weeks ago a stray kitten, befriended by the WAVES, was swallowed in one quick gulp by King, the Marine Mascot. "Blimpy is simply a replacement," Major Conger explained to Lydia Weber, S2c, WAVES, MAA, as he presented her with the vividly decorated kitten.

The scene of the Marine picnic, slated for 30 August and financed by their own Welfare funds, was "the ole swimming hole" down the tracks from the Marine Gate. Friends and families of Marines aboard reported a fine time.

BOOK LOCKER

The 1944 edition of the "Bluejackets' Manual," ready for distribution this month, was re-designed to conserve printing materials and manpower.

Its usual 1200 pages were cut to 608; however, the Standard and Curriculum Division of Bu. Pers. managed to bring the bluejackets' bible up to date with new chapters on "Survival Adrift", "Fire Fighting" as well as a Glossary of naval terms. They also added 3 original water colors, many new photographs and sketches, and new cover.

WATCH FOR IT AT SHIPS' SERVICE.

You'll find these books and many more at the station library. Drop in SOON.

OPEN FIRE by Alec Hudson—Alec Hudson takes his reader into the depths of submarines and tells of the lives and emotions of the men who go down in them.

THE SMOKING IRON by Peter Field—Pat Stevens and his pal Ezra, Powder-Valley cronies turn a cattle-buying trip into a clean-up spree in lawless Hermosia.

GEORGE M. COHAN by Ward Morehouse—A biography of The Prince of the American Theatre written by his very close friend of the "New York Sun", Mr. Ward Morehouse.

Cover pix: Station plane, on a messenger mission, riding high above the Tillamook countryside.

"There is the great man who makes every man feel small, but the really great man is the man who makes every man feel great."—G. K. Chesterton.

USO Show Leaves Laughter

The USO usually had a show just around the corner, but not all are as good as "Around the Corner", which hit the station 10 August and left a wake of laughter.

The repeat performance of the Johnsons on their xylophones scored high on the applause meter along with the comics, acrobatics, and legwork of the troupe. But it was the election of a station Casanova by the Osborne Sisters, (pix right) that rocked the rafters.

Coming Up

Next USO show, "ALL IS WELL", is slated for 9 September. According to the advance agent for the troupers of the Laugh Circuit, there will be acrobatics, xylophone novelty, and some sophisticated ballroom dancing numbers. Mark it down on your social calendar, Mac.

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Laughing Gas

M.A.A.: Here, this machine will do half your work for you.

Compartment Cleaner: Thanks—May I have two of them?

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A coordinator is a man who brings organized chaos out of regimented confusion.

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A doleful-looking marine in the Chicago Union Station waiting-room was overheard explaining the pitfalls of life to a friend: "So I married my pin-up girl and became a pinned-down boy!"

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Captain: Seaman Jones, it gives me great pleasure to give you these two stripes.

Seaman: Why not give me three, Sir, and really enjoy yourself?

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Grandpa wanted a "gig" and a "gal".

Dad liked a "fliver" and a "flapper".

Now it's just a "plane" and "jane".

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Mother: Where do bad little girls go?

Bab: Oh, everywhere.

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When a gal tells a sailor she's a perfect 36, she expects him to grasp what she is talking about very quickly.

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PROVERB PUZZLES

Can you extract a nugget of wisdom, or time-worn proverb, from each of the following sentences:

1. Compounds of hydrogen and oxygen in the proportion of two to one that are without visible movement invariably tend to flow with profundity.

2. A body of persons abiding in a domicile of silica combined with metallic oxides should not carelessly project small geologic specimens.

3. Where there is sufficient positive volition, a successful conclusion may usually be expected.

4. The customary symbol of regal power does not necessarily indicate desirable mental tranquillity.

5. Unwonted egotism prophesies the speedy effect of the force of gravity.

Break out the dictionary, Mac. If you can't solve these in less than ten minutes, the answers are printed in reverse English elsewhere in this issue.



OFFICERS' MESS ATTENDANTS' MEMOS

On 18 August, 1944, an informal party was held in our Recreation Room. Blindman's tag was won by Newcomb with Meyer, being a close second. Oguim, Newcomb, Muse showed what singers they really were, and they should form the mainstage for the choir planned.

Lt. Bruno Saia, Mess Treasurer for some time, has always showed his magnificent dealings with everyone in the Division. We thank you for your great help in guiding us in our work. You are always welcome in the galley, Mr. Saia. Due to his heavy duties as Asst Supply Officer, Lt. Saia has been replaced by Ensign V. L. Merrill.

As time marches on, crew members are going out far over the sea, and new shipmates are coming in. We heartily welcome aboard Chief Steward Gil and four Stewards Mates, Newman and Newman, Hicks and Hilliard.

Chief Gil has spent most of his Navy life aboard a "pigboat". He has seen action in Pearl Harbor, Java, and in other areas of the South Pacific.

To our shipmates who are assigned for overseas—Ray Vallesteros, Benny Ascosta, Otis Bell, John Dalton, and Robert M. Thomas. Smooth sailing pals! We also wish Chief Brucelas luck and happiness at his new station, NAS, Astoria.

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REPORTING ABOARD

Ensign Vernon L. Merrill, newly arrived BOQ manager and Officers' Mess Treasurer, has lost no time in making friends on the station. Wonder if there's any truth in that old civilian adage: "The way to a man's heart is through his stomach"?

Male Call

by Milton Caniff, creator of "Terry and the Pirates"



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